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## MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 18th April, 1977/Chaitra 28, 1899 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the Vice-President acting as President on the 18th April, 1977, and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS (PROTECTION OF PUBLICATION ACT, 1977

No 15 OF 1977

[18th April, 1977]

An Act to protect the publication of reports of proceedings of Parliament.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows.—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Parliamentary Proceedings (Protection of Publication) Act, 1977.

(2) It extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

(3) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 25th day of March, 1977.

2. In this Act, "newspaper" means any printed periodical work containing public news or comments on public news, and includes a news-agency supplying material for publication in a newspaper.

Short title, extent and commencement.

Definition.

Publica-  
tion of  
reports  
of Parlia-  
mentary  
proceed-  
ings  
privileged.

3. (1) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (2), no person shall be liable to any proceedings, civil or criminal, in any court in respect of the publication in a newspaper of a substantially true report of any proceedings of either House of Parliament, unless the publication is proved to have been made with malice.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall be construed as protecting the publication of any matter, the publication of which is not for the public good.

Act also  
to apply  
to Parlia-  
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4. This Act shall apply in relation to reports or matters broadcast by means of wireless telegraphy as part of any programme or service provided by means of a broadcasting station situate within the territories to which this Act extends as it applies in relation to reports or matters published in a newspaper.

K. K. SUNDARAM,  
*Secy. to the Govt of India.*